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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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This application is for U.S. Serial No. 08/797,188, filed February 11, 1997.

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure, according to 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant submits for the

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Examiner's consideration the additional references listed on the attached sheet PTO Form FB-A820. Applicant has enclosed copies of these references for the Examiner's consideration.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees payable in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 06-2425. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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